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To His Honour
Frank Lynch-Staunton
Lieutenant-Governor
Province of Alberta

Sir:

I have the honour to submit to you the Annual Report of the Alberta Water Resources Commission for the fiscal year ended March 31st, 1983. This report outlines the Commission's activities during the short time between the Order-in-Council establishing the Commission and year end. The report is, therefore, very brief.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY KROEGER, M.L.A.
Chairman of the Alberta
Water Resources Commission

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The formation of the Alberta Water Resources Commission was approved by Order-in-Council in December, 1982. The Water Resources Commission Act was passed in the 1983 spring sitting of the Legislature.

Three (3) meetings of the Commission were held covering the period to March 31st, 1983. The membership was finalized near the end of March.

In brief, the Commission commenced the review of water resource planning, water management projects, regulations and agreements affecting water apportionment with the neighboring provinces, and, overall legislation affecting the management and protection of water resources.

The Secretariat undertook preliminary background investigative work involving water supply, demand, and drainage, preparatory to review by the Commission. Two significant situations are cited as requiring early attention:

1. A comprehensive inventory of the extent and location of excessive moisture conditions and areas of restricted drainage is required, and an evaluation of drainage management which will be beneficial to agriculture and domestic water uses primarily;
2. Policy decisions to guide, water allocations, development of additional management facilities, and, operational adjustments, in the areas where water demand is reaching levels where further uses will be restrained by the present supply.

The very close relationship of water resources with, agriculture, industrial, domestic, recreation uses, and the overall provincial economy, is acknowledged and will be given appropriate consideration by the Commission.

Commission membership and staff

H. Kroeger, M.L.A.	Chairman
Dr. R. Elliott, M.L.A.	Commission Member
Justice M. Porter	Commission Member
Margaret Lounds	Commission Member
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R. Ford, A.D.M. Alberta Municipal Affairs	Commission Member
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R. H. Cronkhite	Executive Director Water Resources Commission
R. J. Mills	Research, Water Resources Commission
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